



# **Basehor United Methodist Church**

*Sharing God's Love-Expanding Our Ministry*

*Capital Campaign Quarterly Update (1)*

## **What is it?**

**Campaign Vision:** At Basehor United Methodist Church, we want to share our love of God and each other with our community. We are committed to growing the number of Christ's followers and deepening the faith of our members. As part of our congregational vision, we want to work towards developing more outreach and ministry for families, children, and youth. We believe this will require a capital campaign to reduce our debt and plan for expanded programs and facilities for activities. We believe that by embarking on this project as a congregation, we can draw together as a community called to share Christ's love.

**Campaign Goal:** The campaign goal is to raise \$250,000.00 in pledges over a three-year period. \$150,000.00 of this would be used to pay down loan debt, and the remaining \$100,000.00 would be used for ministry expansion efforts.

**Campaign Prayer:** God of abundant grace, Open our hearts and minds to your spirit that we may know your love. Move us to fling wide our doors in ministry to all people. In this time of challenge and opportunity may we catch your vision for Basehor United Methodist Church and grow into all you would have us become. Amen.

## **When is it?**

**Now:** BUMC has progressed through the developmental stages of the campaign and held Commitment Sunday on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2007. The campaign will run for three years into June 2010. We are in the first quarter of twelve in the campaign and are receiving gifts which are being put toward paying off the principle on our loan and implementing new outreach programs.

The total pledged amount from you is \$166,670.00. The total received amount as of 09/16/2007 is \$34,414.00 from 57 giving units.

## **Why get involved?** Pastor Kibum Kim

We, as a church, have a reputation as a friendly congregation. I cannot agree more. It's God's gift to us and we are to continue to be so. We, as a church, have a vision of a growing congregation. It showed when we made our pledge to the capital campaign. Part of your giving will go toward reducing our debt, and part of it will be used to expand our ministry. Both of these are our efforts to be more effective in our ministry, and to be truly faithful disciples. Giving is a spiritual discipline because we grow in faith through giving. Now, giving to the capital campaign is not only a spiritual discipline, but also sharing the vision of this congregation. I appreciate all who have participated in giving to our vision and future. Peace in Christ!

### **Where have our gifts been spent so far?**

Programs: Wednesday Evening Program Director Angie Bohndorf

A new Wednesday evening program for kids is set to launch on October 3rd. The new program is called WOW! (The Word On Wednesdays). It is designed for children grades K - 6th, and will be held every Wednesday evening from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. This program is designed to teach children stories and themes of the Bible through various learning strategies. The children will rotate through stations each week which focus on the same Bible story or theme throughout the course of the unit. The theory behind this type of program is that all children learn differently. Therefore, when they can experience a lesson through various learning activities and learning styles, they will gain more and internalize the basic concepts. The components of the program include Art, Computer, Creative Cookery, Games, Music, Science, Storytelling, and Videos. The first unit we will introduce is "Noah's Ark." It will run through November 7th. After that, we will begin a Christmas-related unit called "The Gift of Jesus."

Numbers Breakdown: 60% of the gifts will be put toward the principle on loan debt and 40% will be put toward ministry expansion. Thus as of 09/11/2007 we have paid a little over \$19,000.00 on loan debt and have approximately \$11,000.00 available for ministry expansion. WOW is allotted 10hr/week at \$15/hr for a total of \$600/month in salary plus expenses for materials.

### **How do I get Involved?** Campaign Co-Chair Erin Morrison:

Throughout this capital campaign I have been a witness to how giving our congregation truly is and consider myself blessed to be a part of it. The wonderful part about the capital campaign is that it has just gotten underway. There is so much ahead of us and therefore so many ways to help. The most important way is to continue fulfilling our personal commitments to the campaign. Through those commitments we have already been able to start a Wednesday evening kids program. Support of this program and those to come is a great opportunity for involvement by volunteering your time or just talking to a neighbor or friend about the exciting things happening at Basehor United Methodist Church.

If you have any questions or comments at all about the campaign please contact any of the co-chairs (Erin Morrison, John Flower, Cheri Gallion) or Pastor Kim.

### **Who is it?** *God and us!*

*It's all about God and helping more people know him and helping us live like him! Continually pray for our church and leadership to direct this campaign as God sees it, so we might further His vision for us.*



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